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Sir:

Responsive to the official action dated May 28, 1998 in the above-identified application, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

In the Specification

 Page 1, line 15, change "60/____ (to be assigned)" to -- 60/093,038 --.

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A method for treating focal ischemic stroke caused by obstruction of a main cerebral artery in a human mammal comprising administering an amount of an anti-CD18 antibody to the mammal which is effective for increasing cerebral blood flow or reducing infarct size, in the absence of removal of the arterial obstruction, wherein at least one of the following conditions is present:

(a) the antibody binds to an extracellular domain of CD18 and inhibits or reduces CD18 biological activity.

(b) the antibody binds CD18 with an affinity of 4 nm or less, or

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